



I Peter 1:7 - The Function of Trials

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ

- 1. The Purpose of Trials.** *That the trial of your faith*
 - a. Trials test the obedience of our faith.** Hebrews 11:8.
 - b. Trials test the endurance of our faith.** Hebrews 11:9.
 - c. Trials test the focus of our faith.** Hebrews 11:10-16.
 - d. Trials test the boundaries of our faith.** Hebrews 11:17-19.

- 2. The Value of Trials.** *being much more precious than of gold that perisheth*
 - a. The commodity is much more precious.**
 - b. The return is much more precious.**
 - c. The process is much more precious.**

- 3. The Intensity of trials.** *though it be tried with fire*
 - a. Fiery trials are to be expected.** I Peter 4:12.
 - b. Fiery trials are a part of spiritual warfare.** Ephesians 6:16.
 - c. Fiery trials produce a fired-up church.** Revelation 3:18.

- 4. The Potential of Trials.**
 - a. Trials present a sacred opportunity.** *might be found.*
 - b. Trials promote an eternal perspective.**
unto praise and honour and glory.
 - c. Trials prepare us for our ultimate test.**
at the appearing of Jesus Christ. I Corinthians 3:13.

The most glorious thing on earth is to have a part in God's business.